

IN RECOGNITION OF CINDY ESTRADA FOR RECEIVING THE ALTERNATIVES FOR GIRLS' ROLE MODEL AWARD

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 23, 2017

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Cindy Estrada, Vice President of the United Auto Workers and recipient of the Alternatives for Girls' 2017 Role Model award. Ms. Estrada has fought tirelessly for working Americans for her entire career and spearheaded many community programs to benefit working men and women.

Ms. Estrada began her career as labor organizer after graduating from the University of Michigan. After successful assignments as an organizer for Detroit-based Mexican Industries and the United Farm Workers, Ms. Estrada was appointed to the UAW International Union's organizing staff in 2000. After overseeing development and implementation of UAW organizing strategy for several years, Ms. Estrada was elected as UAW vice president in 2010 and reelected to a second term in 2014. She currently leads the General Motors Department of UAW, negotiating on behalf of approximately 48,500 union workers. Ms. Estrada has brought a lifetime of experience championing working families to this role, as well as a deep understanding of the challenges workers face in competing in a global marketplace.

Ms. Estrada's efforts have led to better pay and working conditions for tens of thousands of American workers. In addition to leading the contract negotiations with major automotive suppliers like Johnson Controls and Dana Incorporated, Ms. Estrada has also worked on behalf of the 17,000 UAW-represented workers employed by the State of Michigan. These campaigns have resulted in real gains for workers, including providing for increased pay and robust health benefits. Ms. Estrada is known for her tough negotiating ability, and her tenacity has served as a model for labor relations in the automotive industry. She is dedicated to ensuring workers' voices are represented at the negotiating table and forging consensus that protect their interests. It is my hope that Ms. Estrada is able to continue to lead the UAW in working constructively to ensure that American workers and manufacturing prosper in the coming years.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Cindy Estrada for receiving the Alternatives for Girls' 2017 Role Model Award. Ms. Estrada has dedicated her career to championing social justice for all people and is deserving of this prestigious award.

FEDERAL EXPRESS

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 23, 2017

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Federal Express for winning the 2016 Business Recognition Award from the Jeffco EDC.

Founded in 1965, Federal Express—or FedEx—is a leader in e-commerce and busi-

ness solutions. The company has air, ground and sea networks covering more than 220 countries and territories, linking more than 99 percent of the world's GDP.

Recently, FedEx became the first company to locate to the Verve Innovation Park at the Rocky Mountain Metropolitan Airport (RMMA). The 216,000 square foot build-to-suit distribution center occupies 26 acres and will bring more than \$16 million in new capital investment and 144 jobs to unincorporated Jefferson County.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Federal Express for this well-deserved recognition from the Jeffco EDC.

CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ATTEND INAUGURATION

HON. BRENDAN F. BOYLE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 23, 2017

Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a group of ambitious students from Central High School in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Since Central High School was chartered in 1836 and opened in 1838, it has established a reputation and a rich history that sets it apart from other high schools in Pennsylvania and throughout the United States.

Central High School offers many prestigious academic opportunities for their students, including the International Baccalaureate Program, Advanced Placement courses, and dual enrollment programs. They value curiosity, high academic achievement, inclusive extracurricular activities and service, which are essential to cultivating a student's overall positive experience. The school's dedication to building a cohesive path for their students is, in part, why I was grateful for the privilege to provide several Central High School students with the unique opportunity to attend the presidential inauguration on January 20, 2017.

The inauguration welcomed Avery Adeshigbin, Romie Azor, David Bango, Chris Bruch, Monet Bunch, Jasmine Duong, Sh-Mya Durham, Darnell Faison, Michael Granovskiy, Lindsay Holmes, Kayla Jaquay-Davis, Morgan Mifflin, Tamika Miles, Han Nguyen, Sorya Noun, Aliyah Quattara, Sundus Pervez, Aniyah Pinkney, Kristian Rhim, Bruno Sauli, Kejsi Shahaj, Sahmir Thompson, Krystal Torres, Tiffany Tran, David Weihe, Marguerite Faison, William Graham, Michael Horwits, Ashley Zeserman, and Patrick Elgert.

The hard work these students put towards their academics and their unwavering commitment to civic engagement is inspiring. I hope their curiosity and tenacity persists in future endeavors and they continue to make an important difference throughout my home state of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 1249, THE DHS MULTIYEAR ACQUISITION STRATEGY ACT OF 2017

HON. MICHAEL T. MCCAUL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 23, 2017

Mr. MCCAUL. Mr. Speaker, I include in the RECORD the cost estimate from the Congress-

sional Budget Office regarding H.R. 1249. The cost estimate was not available at the time of the filing of the Committee report.

U.S. CONGRESS,
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,
Washington, DC, March 22, 2017.

Hon. MICHAEL MCCAUL,
Chairman, Committee on Homeland Security,
House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has prepared the enclosed cost estimate for H.R. 1249, the DHS Multiyear Acquisition Strategy Act of 2017.

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is Mark Grabowicz.

Sincerely,

MARK P. HADLEY,
(For Keith Hall, Director).

Enclosure.

H.R. 1249—DHS Multiyear Acquisition Strategy Act of 2017

H.R. 1249 would require the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), within one year of enactment, to submit to the Congress a report on the department's comprehensive strategy for acquisitions. The act would direct the Government Accountability Office to review that report within 180 days of its submission. Based on information from DHS and the cost of similar activities, CBO estimates that the reports required by H.R. 1249 would cost about \$1 million in fiscal year 2018 and less than \$500,000 in 2019; such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

Enacting the legislation would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply. CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 1249 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2028.

H.R. 1249 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Mark Grabowicz. The estimate was approved by H. Samuel Papenfuss, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.

METRO WEST HOUSING SOLUTIONS

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 23, 2017

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Metro West Housing Solutions for winning the 2016 Chairman's Choice Award from the Jeffco EDC.

Metro West Housing Solutions (MWHs) was established in 1974 as the Lakewood Housing Authority (LHA) to address the community's shortage of sufficient, decent, safe, affordable and sanitary homes for its residents. During the 1970s and 1980s, the LHA developed affordable housing programs for Lakewood residents including: implementation and management of the Section 8 program, purchase of dilapidated property and rehabilitation for sale to first time home buyers, and acquisition of affordable rental options.

In the late 1990s and 2000s, the organization continued to grow into a multi-faceted developer, property manager, and service producer. LHA began managing its own properties, acquiring and rehabbing apartment complexes, and developing its own newly constructed apartment communities.